

Condensed In Brief Form State And National News

LOCAL BAND GETS RATING OF I

State News

Raleigh, May 14.—Governor Burnett R. Maybank of South Carolina and Mrs. Maybank will be guests of Governor Honey Monday and Tuesday for Raleigh's celebration of the 100th anniversary of the completion of the Atlantic and Gaston railroad and of the state capitol.

Praherst, May 14.—The medical society of North Carolina opened its 87th annual convention here today. A number of technical papers will be read.

The president-elect, Dr. Hubert B. Haywood of Raleigh, will be installed tomorrow.

Southport, May 14.—The body of Archie Galloway, of Varnumtown, a boat anchor tied to his feet was taken from Lockwood Folly river this morning. Coroner John J. Catson of Brunswick county said Galloway was being sought for the shotgun slaying last night of Alton Varnum, 22, of Varnumtown.

Mountaineers Need Lone Win For Championship

Red Smart's pretty smart Mountaineers handed Shelby a defeat here last Friday afternoon, putting themselves within one game of the conference championship. The final score was Kings Mountain, six, Shelby one.

The final conference game will be played at Shelby tomorrow, Friday afternoon, with the Mountaineers "all" hanging in the balance. The game last week placed the Mountaineers on top, along with Lincolnton, with eight consecutive conference victories. They lost the first to Cherryville, Lincolnton, with nine victories and two losses are the nearest rivals to the Mountaineers, and should the locals lose Friday's tilt, will walk off with the laurels.

Ballard started the game with Shelby last Friday, and went the full length, fanning 18 men during the nine innings. Ballard held them hitless until the seventh. Shelby's lone tally came in the eighth, when they got their only other hit of the game, and the runner came in on a wild pitch.

Christopher, Shelby Moundsman, allowed the Mountaineers plenty of opportunity for base knocks. Cobb, in the outfield for the Mountaineers, ran up the biggest hitting average, with two for three. Plonk, Ballard, and Gibson pounded out two for four each.

The Mountaineers, with this last game their only obstacle, and with one victory over Shelby sailed away on the verge of the thing that 1935's crop of diamond stars did. Since the last conference championship, in that year, the Mountaineers have held their own, but have not been close to the title.

National News

Washington, May 13.—There was a "blackout" in the White House neighborhood last evening, but it was accidental.

While worried householders jammed their doors and windows, waiting for information, workmen learned that a power cable had exploded two blocks from the executive mansion. The White House itself was not affected.

Guantanamo, Mexico, May 13.—President Cardenas condemns the German invasion of Holland and Belgium, at the same time censuring those nations which failed to 'place a dike around imperialist invasion' while there was time.

Anderson, S. C., May 13.—Four persons perished when their motor boat capsized on Broadway Lake a recreational development, near here yesterday.

The victims were Dorothy Stamps 17, Lucille Duncan, 17, Lewis Huntcutt, 25, and Lawrence Williams 20, all of Anderson.

Witnesses said the other three tried to hold on to Huntcutt and the weight of them carried him down. Rescue boats reached the scene too late for rescue.

New York, May 13.—A too swift approach to a station where a preceding section was pulling out was the tentative explanation today by Erie Railroad officials for a collision Port Jervis N. Y., in which 250 were hurt, 35 seriously enough for hospitalization.

Population Increases 16 Pct.

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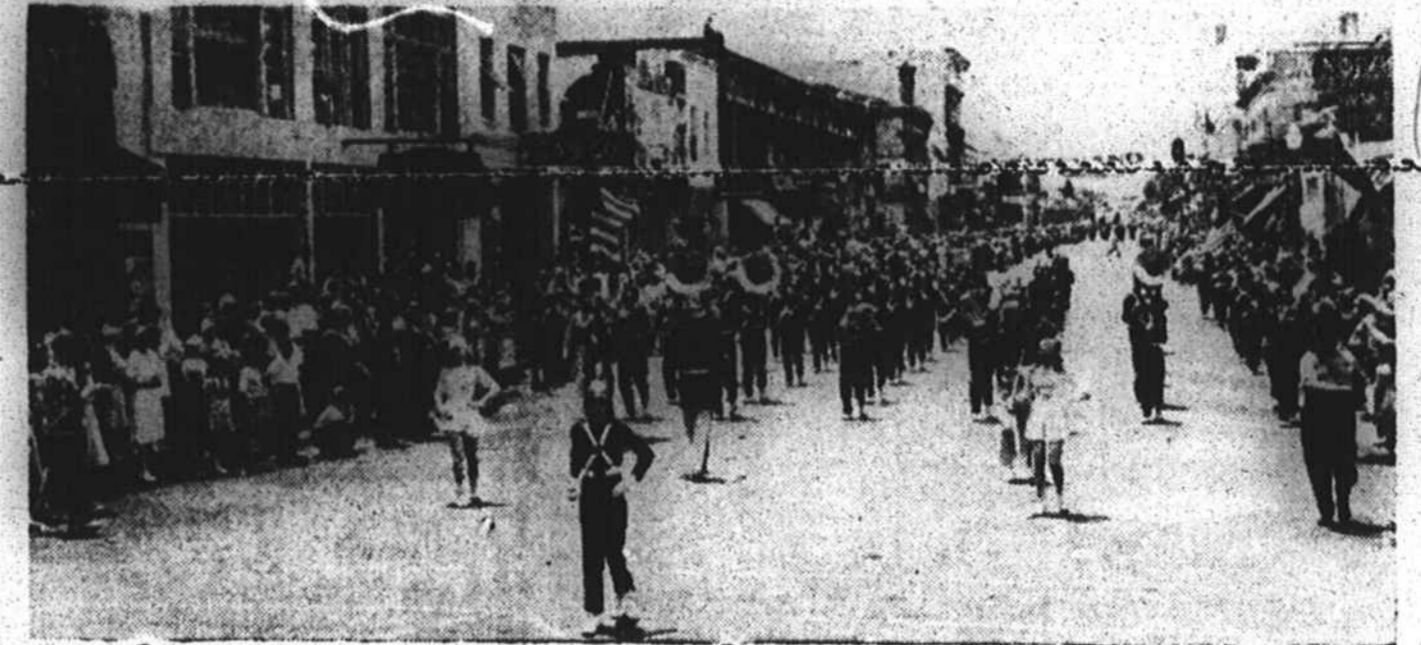
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HERE THEY ARE, FOLKS—THE WINNERS



Kings Mountain School Band marching down Clematis, the main business street in West Palm Beach, Florida, last Friday, for the parade in which all the 23 bands of the Eighth Regional Band Association participated.

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Sidelights On The Florida Trip

**Humorous and Interesting
Happenings.**

Paul E. Hendricks, director of the local band, being asked by some one at Florida if he was a member of the Kings Mountain Band, "Fessor" answered that he was. The next question was: "This must be your last year?", to which Mr. Hendricks replied, "It might be, unless I get a rating of one!"

Captain B. M. Ormand becoming so engrossed with the "Herald" copies of which were sent down, that he was accidentally locked in his room. He came out of it when he finished the paper, and finally aroused W. K. Mauney, who obtained a key and rescued him. Observed Captain Ormand: "If I had kept reading, I'd be there still, I reckon."

Charlotte musicians being shooed out of Terminal Cafe in Jacksonville because Captain Ormand had food reserved for the Kings Mountain folks. But they did it good humoredly, 'tis said.

One Mauney twin being served breakfast and the other coming along later, causing the waitress to observe that "that boy sure is a heavy eater." She was corrected, however.

D. M. Bridges, tired out from a day's work, sitting down while he issued meal tickets. Some stranger walked up and wanted to know if he had nothing better to do than sit around while the others were so busy.

W. K. Mauney, taking advantage of the train side tracking in an orange grove to let another train pass, and losing his fountain pen while climbing a tree to get himself an orange.

The fact that 10 of the Kings Mountain boys and girls had never ridden on a train, 15 had never seen the ocean, 5 had never been outside of two Carolinas, only 22 had been in the state of Florida, and only 10 had visited Miami.

Rhett Chalk, former local boy, known by many of those on the trip, now a police officer in Miami, allowing the Kings Mountain bus to double park while the Kings Mountain folks had lunch. Rhett was very glad to see the home town folks.

Little Harvey Hamrick, buying a book of "Gulliver's Travels," and losing it on the train. When Mrs. Hamrick asked him what he was doing under a train seat, and protested that he was getting dirty, Harvey replied: "Well, I've gotta find my Guvnor's Travels!"

Lions Minstrel Tomorrow Night

Lewis Cathey and his Tarheelians open up with an overture tomorrow night at Central High School auditorium, beginning before your eyes, the greatest array of talented stars ever to set foot on a Kings Mountain stage. It will be the great long-awaited minstrel, by the Lions Club, and every man, woman and child in the auditorium is promised a real treat.

Under the able direction of J. Proc. Thompson, the minstrel brings to Kings Mountain the following headliners, besides Cathey and Orchestra:

Interlocutor, Roger Greer.
End-Men, Charlie Warlick, Red Smart, Elmo Bridges, Kenneth Crook, Smyre Williams, and genial jovial, Red McClain.

The circle boasts of the following talent: Polk Moffett, Hillard Black, C. P. Gofford, Everette Clontinger, Bobby Allman, Toby Williams, Jones Fortune, Hal Olive, Curtis Falls, Lawrence Ledford and Lee Roberts.

Professor Toby Williams, described by Mike Milam as Kings Mountain's greatest musical authority, brings you, along with the Tarheelians, Kay Kiser's famous "College of Musical Knowledge." If today's night, then you're wrong. That's how good he is!

The Osborne Trio, composed of two girls and a boy, all around twelve years old, bring to our midst a versatility unequalled in professional entertainment elsewhere, boasting of tap dancing, esthetic

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Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

Back Talk from the Witness

By IRVIN S. COBB

ONCE upon a time, a lawyer was representing the defendant in a damage suit against one of the New York traction companies on account of a street accident in which a pedestrian had been badly hurt. An old negro woman, a resident of Harlem's Little Africa, mounted the stand as a witness for the plaintiff. She described how the accident had occurred.

"Auntie," he said, "You have testified here that when this man was hit by the car he cried out certain words. Would you mind telling His Honor and the gentlemen of the jury just what those words were, if you remember them?"

"Oh, yassir, I remembers 'em mighty well. I ain't never gwine ferget."

"Never mind that. What was it he said?"

"He said his back hurt him."

"No—no! I mean, give us his exact words?"

"He sez: 'Oh, Lord his back! His back! Dat's what he kept sayin' ovah and ovah ag'in.'"

"Do you mean to say that was his exact language?"

"Dat's what I means."

"Now, look here, Auntie," said the lawyer, "I can tell that you're trying to tell the truth; but aren't you getting a little bit twisted? Wasn't what he said: 'Oh, my back!'"

"Huh!" snorted the old woman. "How come you think he'd be yellin' out about yore back when you wuzn't there at all? Naw suh, he didn't say nuthin' 'bout yore back. De onliest back which he named from start to finish wuz his own back."

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Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS

NEIGHBORS in the suburbs still fight about their chickens and dogs and kids once in a while. One fellow came rushing out on his porch and yelled at his neighbor: "Say, I'd like to know what you were burying in that hole in your back yard last night! You didn't think you'd get caught, did you? But a friend of mine saw you. Now, tell me, if you dare, what were you burying in that hole in your yard?"

The other fellow wasn't so much excited.

"Why," he says, "I was burying one of my chickens, and a half of a ham and some of my buttermilk, and such things."

"So! I reckon you're crazy, ain't you? You sound foolish. And I reckon it was my dog that you were planting. Something has happened to Gyp, and I'll dig up that yard of yours till I find out if he's there."

"Well, he's there, all right. All my stuff that I told you about was inside of the dog."

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Kiwians Meet Tonight

Kings Mountain Kiwanians will have their regular meeting at the Womens Club at 6:30 this evening. At this meeting, the Club is sponsoring a Dairy Program for those who are interested in dairying.

The speaker of the occasion will be L. P. LeMaster, head of the Dairy Department, of Clemson College at Clemson, S. C. Mr. LeMaster is one of the leading dairymen in the state of South Carolina.

The regular meeting last week consisted of a business session and no planned program.

Court Of Honor Tonight

The Boy Scout Court of Honor will be held tonight at 7:45 in the City Hall. Scouts, Scouters and friends of Scouting are urged to be present.

BANK TO BE CLOSED MONDAY

In observance of Mecklenburg Independence Day, a legal holiday, the First National Bank will be closed Monday, May 20th.

Kings Mountain's High stepping school band, popularly known as "the snappiest band in North Carolina," arrived in Kings Mountain Sunday night after their jaunt to West Palm Beach, Florida, where it rated top honors in the Eighth Regional Band Association contest.

The band was greeted at the Seaboard depot in Charlotte at 9:15 Sunday night by approximately 300 supporters, parents, and well-wishers. Monday morning they were back in school, reminiscing on the grand and glorious experience which was theirs in taking the trip and winning the coveted ratings.

The band, which has known phenomenal growth within the past five years, rated I in concert and marching; and II in sight reading. This is exactly opposite to the ratings which they received at Greensboro several weeks ago in the State contest.

Kings Mountain's two soloists, D. E. Hord, Jr., and Ernest Mauney, the former playing an alto Clarinet and the latter a bassoon, were also awarded top honors, rating I in their competition. This is the second consecutive year that D. E. has won a top solo rating in the national competition.

The band spent five days on the Florida trip, leaving Charlotte last Tuesday evening. They spent three days in Florida competing for the honors, and in sightseeing.

Bands taking a part in the maneuvers Friday night at Anderson Field included, besides Kings Mountain: In Class B, Gaffney, S. C., DeFuniak Springs, Fla., and in Class A, Central High School of Charlotte, DeLand, Fla., Lenoir, S. C., Miami Edison High, and Senior, Cebra, Fla. and the host West Palm Beach.

Kings Mountain musicians were triumphant in several respects on the trip, winning favor with everyone with whom they came in contact. Captain O. C. O'Farrell, retired railroad conductor who went before the band and made arrangements in West Palm Beach, said that bus people, band officials, hotel men, and railway officials remarked to him that the boys and girls from Kings Mountain were the best behaved group with which they came in contact.

The veteran Conductor said: "This is not only a compliment to the boys and girls, themselves, and to Director Paul E. Hendricks, but is also a great tribute to the mothers and fathers of the band boys and girls."

Kings Mountain band officials were high in their praise of the reception and care which they received in West Palm Beach. Officials there were most courteous, lending Kings Mountain's officials a 1939 model auto for their convenience throughout the stay.

Judges A. R. McAllister of Joliet, Ill., Dr. Frank Simon of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Dr. Herbert J. Clarke of Long Beach, Calif., were highly praised, and in turn were high in their praise of the Kings Mountain band.

These three prominent band directors judged the local band, sitting separately, keeping separate notes, and turning them over to another official who read the ratings. Judge A. R. McAllister, speaking to a number of directors and officials after the contest, said: "The Kings Mountain band is amazing in its ability to start at such a fast

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Washington Snapshots
by JAMES PRESTON

(Opinions Expressed in This Column Are Not Necessarily the Views of This Newspaper.)

Despite laws specifically forbidding it, federal officials and their press agents merrily continue lobbying for and against legislation.

Not in a single instance discernible so far have they sought either to save the taxpayers money or to give citizens relief from the rule of bureaucracy.

Since Labor Board lobbying against Wagner Act amendments was disclosed by a special House investigating committee, the official lobbyists have been more careful. Their methods are more insidious because they have found some new tricks in the bag.

For instance, the House voted against appropriating money for the Labor Board's economic division headed by David J. Sapos. The reasons were that some legislators think Sapos is Communistically inclined, and they feel also that the

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